April 14, 2014

Ms. Melissa Sims Sims Law Office 1216 Elliott Lane Princeton, IL 61356

Re: Freedom of Information Request No. EPA-R2-2014-003192

Dated: January 30, 2014

Dear Ms. Sims:

Your request for information has been referred to this branch for response. We have searched the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) files and/or computer database as appropriate to respond to your request. In addition, you may also receive information from other program areas within this Regional Office.

We are enclosing a copy of the RCRA Facility File Index Sheets for Merck & Co., Inc. at 126 East Lincoln Avenue in Rahway, New Jersey, and EPA ID No. NJD001317064. There may be other RCRA documents that the EPA RCRA Project Manager would have that are not included on the enclosed index sheets. We are checking with the EPA RCRA Project Manager on this. Also, enclosed is a copy of one archive list of documents for Merck. The archive documents that we have for Merck are located in Kansas City, MO. We are also enclosing a copy of the RCRA Compliance Monitoring, and Enforcement Data Report regarding inspection information for Merck in Rahway, New Jersey.

The approximate amount of RCRA information that we have in our RCRA file room is about 115 inches. One inch is equivalent to 250 pages. The cost for copying each page is \$.15.

Since we have so much information, we welcome you to visit our office to review the RCRA files. We will arrange to make the files available to you. Kindly arrange your appointment with Mr. David Abrines of my staff at (212) 637-3043. The file offices are open between the hours of 9:00am - 4:00pm at the following address:

Room 1538, 15th Floor 290 Broadway New York, New York 10007-1866. Be sure to bring a copy of this letter when coming to our EPA file office, and make reference to the EPA ID Number NJD001317064.

If you decide that you can not visit us, another suggestion is that you can select the information that you need from the RCRA Facility File Index Sheets. You can place an asterisk next to the documents that interest you on the index sheets, and then fax the indexes to Mr. Abrines at (212) 637-3526. Or, you can e-mail the information to abrines.david@epa.gov. Afterward, Mr. Abrines will review the documents that you selected on the indexes, and contact you concerning the final cost.

Regarding the archive documents for Merck, we suggest that you first review the documents that are listed on the Facility file Index Sheets, and that are also available in our office. If you need to request documents from the archived list you will need to contact Mr. Abrines.

We also have about ten documents for Merck in Rahway, New Jersey, which may be considered confidential. We recommend that you first review the documents that we have. If after reviewing the documents and you still have an interest in pursuing the regulatory process to request disclosure of the confidential document, please inform Mr. Abrines at the above number.

In addition, RCRA information is available on the Internet as described on the enclosed sheet.

Please include the above referenced request number on any inquiries regarding this response. We wait to hear from you as to how you want us to proceed with your request.

Sincerely yours,

Adolph S. Everett, P.E.

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RCRA Waste Programs Branch

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